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Mr. Charles W. Thayer
Chief, International Broadcasting Division
224 W. 57th Street
New York, New York

Dear Charlie:

As you know, the "B" wire hours of operation have now been extended to run from 0600 to 1600 Mondays through Fridays. I trust that this extension will have provided some relief to the limitations on copy made necessary by the previous 8-hour circuit and will be satisfactory until editorial staff to handle a 16-hour wire can be cleared.

I had hoped that the routing of the circuit direct from this shop to New York without control at your Washington communications center would solve the problem of getting into immediate touch with you during off hours and would obviate the need for a TWX installation here. I find, however, that communications are still hampered by Jim Thomas' budgetary difficulties. Since the reopening of the circuit during off hours is charged in 8-hour blocks, Thomas still wants us to use other means for anything except very lengthy material.

If you desire and will give me a memorandum to support the request, I will order a TWX installation at the time we move into our new quarters, probably during April 1949.

Sincerely yours,

L. K. WHITE

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